GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants - MA&UD Department – Guntur District - Allegations of irregularities in construction of 678 ML capacity summer storage tank at head water works under the scheme of "Repalle water supply improvement scheme – HUDCO Phase III" - Disciplinary proceedings initiated against Sri M.A.Shukoor, the then Executive Engineer, PH Division, Guntur and Five (5) others under Rule-20 of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Enquiry Conducted – Charge held not proved - Explanation submitted - Further action dropped – Orders – Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 458 **Dated: 16-08-2021.**
Read the following:-

1. From the D.G., G.A. (V&E) Department, Vigilance Report No.10 (C.No.1614/V&E/E1/2008, dated.23.08.2014.
2. ENC(PH)Lr.No.101/V&E/VR.No.10/Replle W.S.I.S./ HUDCO-III/CS2/2014 dated: 15-12-2014.
3. G.O.Rt.No.285, MA&UD (Vig.I) Department, dated.27.04.2015.
4. G.O.Rt.Nos.286 to 288 & 290 to 295, MA&UD (Vig.I.2) Department, dated.27.04.2015.
5. WSDs/Served copies of all the charged officers.
6. G.O.Rt.No.270, MA&UD (Vig.I) Department, dated.04.04.2017.
7. G.O.Rt.No.271, MA&UD (Vig.I) Department, dated.04.04.2017.
8. G.O.Rt.No.401, MA&UD (Vig.I) Department, dated: 06.06.2017.
9. G.O.Rt.No.827, MA&UD (Vig.II) Department, dated.30.08.2018.
10. G.O.Rt.No.155, MA&UD (Vig.II) Department, dated: 11.3.2020.
11. Enquiry Report from the Enquiry Officer Sri T.Moses Kumar, Chief Engineer, ADC Ltd., Vijayawada, Lr.No.235/ADC/CE/Engg/2020, dated.05.02.2020.
12. Written representations of Sri M.A.Shukoor, the then Executive Engineer and Five (5) others of PH Division, Guntur.

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O R D E R:

Whereas, it has been brought to the notice of the Government by the Director General, G.A. (V&E) Department that, certain allegations were leveled against Sri M.A.Shukoor, the then Executive Engineer, PH Division, Guntur and Eight (8) others in construction of 678 ML capacity summer storage tank at Head Water Works under the scheme of "Repalle Water Supply Improvement Scheme – HUDCO Phase III". In the reference 1st read above, the Director General, G.A. (V&E) Department recommended to initiate disciplinary action against them.

2. Whereas, in the reference 3rd read above, Government initiated Common disciplinary proceedings under Rule-9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules read with Rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 against Sri M.A.Shukoor, the then Executive Engineer, PH Division, Guntur and eight (8) others and in the reference 4th read above, articles of charges were issued against above said engineering officials of PH Division, Guntur.

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3. Whereas in the reference 5th read above all the above said charged officers submitted their written statement of defences by denying the charge framed against them and requested to drop further action.

4. Having not convinced with the written statement of defences submitted by the charged officers, it has been decided to conduct regular enquiry and after following due procedure, orders were issued, in the reference 6th read above, appointing Sri T.Moses Kumar, Chief Engineer, Amaravati Development Corporation Limited, Vijayawada as an Enquiry Officer to enquire into the charges framed against Sri M.A.Shukoor, the then Executive Engineer and Eight (8) other officials of PH Division, Guntur and in the reference 7th read above, Sri T.Sampath Kumar, Executive Engineer, PH Division, Guntur was appointed as Presenting Officer, to present the case before the Enquiry Officer on behalf of the Disciplinary Authority.

5. In the reference 8th read above, Government dropped further action against Sri C.Rama Rao, the then SE (Retd) keeping in view the orders of A.P.A.T., in O.A.No.5347/2015; subject to recovery of loss if any, from his Pensionary benefits as per Rule 9 (7) of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

6. In the reference 9th read above, orders were issued abating further action against Late (Sri) Ch.Venkateswarlu, the then Executive Engineer, PH Division, Guntur, as he expired on 21.01.2017; subject to recovery of loss caused to the Government, if any by him, in terms of Rule 9(7) of A.P.R.P. Rules, 1980 and also balance if any, under Revenue Recovery Act. In the reference 10th read above further action has been abated against Late (Sri) G.Bhaskar Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, PH Sub Division, Repalle, as he was expired in June, 2017; subject to recovery of loss caused to the Government, if any by him, in terms of Rule 9(7) of A.P.R.P. Rules, 1980 and also balance if any, under Revenue Recovery Act.

7. In the reference 11th read above, Sri T.Moses Kumar, Chief Engineer, Amaravati Development Corporation Limited, Vijayawada submitted his Enquiry Report and reported that the charges framed against remaining Six (6) charged officers are held "not proved" in the enquiry and therefore requested to take further necessary action.

8. Government have examined the enquiry report and accepted the findings submitted by the Enquiry Officer. Accordingly, while communicating a copy of enquiry report, under Rule 21 (2) of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991, all the six (6) charged officers were directed to submit their written representations, if any, on the findings of Inquiry Officer.

9. In the references 12th read above, Sri M.A.Shukoor, the then Executive Engineer and Five (5) others of PH Division, Guntur, have submitted their written representations duly accepting the findings of the Inquiry officer and requested to drop further action against them.

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10. Government have examined the matter; keeping in view the findings given by the Enquiry Officer/written representations of the delinquent officers, and decided to drop further action against them in the matter.

11. Accordingly, Government hereby order to drop further action against the charged officers viz., (1) Sri M.A.Shukoor, the then E.E., PH Division, Guntur (2) Sri Ch.Prasad, the then E.E., PH Division, Guntur (3) Sri C.Gopala Reddy, the then E.E., PH Division, Guntur (4) Sri N.Prasada Rao, the then Dy.E.E., PH Sub Division, Repalle (5) Sri.K.Malyadri, Dy.E.E., PH Sub Division, Repalle and (6) Sri T.Sreenivasa Rao, the then A.E., PH Sub Division, Repalle, since the charge framed against them were held 'not proved' in the enquiry.

12. The Engineer-In-Chief (PH), A.P., Guntur shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

13. The receipt of G.O., shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Y. SRILAKSHMI
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri M.A.Shukoor, the then Executive Engineer,
PH Division, Guntur - **through** the ENC (PH), A.P., Guntur.
Sri Ch.Prasad, the then Executive Engineer,
PH Division, Guntur - **through** the ENC (PH), A.P., Guntur.
Sri Sri C.Gopala Reddy, the then Executive Engineer,
PH Division, Guntur - **through** the ENC (PH), A.P., Guntur.
Sri N.Prasada Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer,
PH Sub Division, Repalle - **through** the ENC (PH), A.P., Guntur.
Sri.K.Malyadri, the then Deputy Executive Engineer,
PH Sub Division, Repalle - **through** the ENC (PH), A.P., Guntur.
Sri T.Sreenivasa Rao, the then Assistant Engineer,
PH Sub Division, Repalle - **through** the ENC (PH), A.P., Guntur.
The Engineer-In-Chief (PH), A.P., Guntur.

Copy to:
The Director General, G.A. (V&E) Department, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Secretary to A.P.V.C., 5th Block, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The MA&UD (C) Department, 2nd Block, A.P.Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The Commissioner, Guntur Municipal Corporation, Guntur.
The Municipal Commissioner, Repalle Municipality, Guntur District.
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// FORWARDED BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER.